

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendment and the following remarks.

By the foregoing amendment, claims 1-16 have been amended, and new claims 17-20 are added. Thus, claims 1-20 are currently pending in the application and subject to examination.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §102(b)

The Office Action rejects claims 1, 2, 5 and 6 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by Weon, et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,272,138). In so far as the rejections might be applied to the claims now pending, they are respectfully traversed as follows.

It is respectfully submitted that the cited art fails to disclose or suggest at least the feature of a jitter generator generating jitter in the clock signal based on a setting signal as claimed in amended Claim 1 and as similarly claimed in amended claim 5.

Weon teaches an apparatus including an AAL1-SAR device 101 that generates a 4 bit SRTS code 202, a jitter absorber 102, which consists of a FIFO, a timing recovery clock 104 that generates a first transmission clock, a clock smoother 105 that generates provides a second transmission clock, and a framer 103 (Fig. 1, Col.4, lines 2-37).

The jitter absorber 102 of Weon does not work based on a setting signal. In addition, the jitter absorber 102 of Weon only reduces jitter from the PDH data streams and does not generate jitter in the clock signal based on a setting signal as claimed in amended Claim 1 and as similar claimed in amended claim5.

For at least this reason, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1 and 5, as amended are allowable over the cited art. As amended claims 1 and 5 are allowable, it

is respectfully submitted that claims 2-4 and 6-20, each of which depends from one of allowable claims 1 and 5, are also allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as for the additional subject matter recited therein.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §103(a)

The Office Action rejects claims 3, 4, 7, and 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) over Weon et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,272,138) in view of Little et al. (U.S. Patent No. 6,640,194). In so far as the rejections might be applied to the claims now pending, they are respectfully traversed as follows.

For at least the above-mentioned reasons, it is respectfully submitted that claims 1 and 5, as amended, are allowable over the cited art. As amended claims 1 and 2 are allowable, it is respectfully submitted that claims 3, 4, 7 and 8, each of which depends from one of allowable claims 1 and 5, are also allowable for at least the same reasons, as well as for the additional subject matter recited therein.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited. If the Examiner believes that anything further is desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below to schedule a personal or telephone interview to discuss any remaining issues.

In the event that this paper is not being timely filed, the Applicant respectfully petitions for an appropriate extension of time. Any fees for such an extension, together

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with any additional fees that may be due with respect to this paper, may be charged to
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